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1. The Projekt- und Konstruktionsbuero of VEB Schiffbau in Berlin-Koepenick received orders to design as expeditiously as possible a 10,000-ton ore- and-coal carrier on the basis of a preliminary plan prepared by the Soviets. The ship was to be built in sections. No details were available.
2. On orders by the Soviets the designs for the 400-ton floating dock had to be completed by 30 April 1953 and the first floating dock which was to be assembled in Stralsund after completion of the sections was to be delivered to the USSR. In April, the designers in Koepenick had to work up to 7 hours over-time to meet the target date.¹
3. Other vessels designed by the design office in Koepenick were a 550-ton motor coaster with a length of 47 meters, a beam of 8.2 meters and a molded depth of 4.2 meters which was for traffic in the North Sea and the Baltic, and a type-IIa freighter.
4. The Schlaak engineering office in Wolgast contacted the design office in Koepenick for the employment of specialists. In April, the Schlaak Office had a staff of about 50 designers including only two naval architects. A member of the engineering office stated that plans for a 1,200-ton destroyer and for an accommodation ship for sub-marines were prepared at this office.

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Comment. Detailed information on the 400-ton floating dock was previously submitted. 25X1A*

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